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**Public Service Announcement**

The lack of precipitation coupled with the local winds and high temperatures have reduced the live fuel moistures to a critical state. The Nevada Division of Forestry has authorized the closure of all controlled burning of yard trimmings in the unincorporated areas of Elko, Eureka and White Pine Counties. Burn Permits were restricted beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 and will remain in effect until such time as adequate fall precipitation returns. Temperatures are forecasted to reach the mid 90's by the weekend and the combination of these factors have required an earlier than normal closure.

The Nevada Division of Forestry will be monitoring conditions and further restrictions may be implemented during the summer months including a ban on the use of burn barrels throughout the county.

Please remember with the onset of summer to have adequate defensible space around your homes and out buildings. Some helpful tips for clearing or mowing defensible space include watering the area the night prior to mowing, mowing in strips between watered areas and using weed eaters with nylon twine instead of mowers using metal blades. Please use caution while traveling and recreating in the outdoors. Have a safe summer.